

COAL MINERS OF ENGLAND ARE IDLE TODAY

THE WEATHER.

FOR INDIANA—Fair tonight and Sunday; somewhat cooler in Northwest portion tonight.

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CHAMBER IS OPPOSED TO MAKE-SHIFT

Viewers Plan Costing Over
\$200,000 is Pronounced
Unsatisfactory.

When \$200,000 or more of the North township taxpayers' money is to be spent for a new pavement on Sheffield avenue, Hammond's only truck thoroughfare to and from Chicago, nothing less substantial than concrete will be insisted upon.

This in effect is the dictum of the Hammond Chamber of Commerce as expressed in a resolution at the Thursday noon day luncheon when motion, President Jesse Wilson was instructed to appoint a committee of five to go before the county commissioners to remonstrate against the recommendation of the viewers who have endorsed an asphaltic concrete surface for this main thoroughfare.

Wilson Signs It Up.

The recommendation of the viewers for surface repair was brought to the attention of the Chamber by President Wilson, who put the proposition in the following words:

"The county commissioners and the county surveyor seem to be favorable to this report. The estimate of the cost for this improvement as recommended is about \$200,000.

It seems to be the almost unanimous opinion of the citizens of Hammond and also Whiting that such a pavement is impractical on this much-traveled thoroughfare and that it will not stand traffic for any reasonable time. It is a well known fact that this sort of pavement will not stand the constant traffic. Indianapolis' boulevard probably has more ruts from a tonnage standpoint than any other street in the United States. Most of this traffic even for Hammond and West Hammond now goes over Forsyth avenue in East Chicago. After Shefield is improved probably 50 per cent of it will be diverted over that thoroughfare and will be confined to a narrow strip of pavement on each side of the street car right of way, so that the same surface of this pavement will constantly receive all of the wear and tear of the traffic. Under these circumstances it is believed that the best pavement obtainable is none good, even though the cost may be twice that of the proposed improvement.

Petition for Concrete.

The petition filed for this improvement specified reinforced concrete and the petition filed with the understanding among the signers thereof that no improvement was to be reinforced concrete and of all the design of Forsyth avenue in East Chicago or that of Whiting avenue in Whiting. The former is reinforced concrete with a gravel surface and the latter is a reinforced concrete base with a sheet asphalt surface. This sort of pavement has proven

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FLOATS MUST BE ARRANGED EARLY WITH COMMITTEE

Any type of vehicle which is necessary to use in rigging out a float will be permitted in the big fall festival pageant on Oct. 23. This announcement was made today by the pageant and parade committee.

The plan of placing certain limitations upon the vehicles had been considered but the flood of inquiries received by the committee has caused them to decide to bar none. As a large percentage of the merchants, industries, societies, clubs and organizations of all kinds have indicated a desire to participate in the event, the committee has decided that the affair will not be complete until all of them are represented.

This means a lot of work for the boosters, but if all who desire to take part will get in touch with the committee at once, arrangements will be made for them and places reserved for their floats. They should at once see Theo Klotz, chairman of the committee at Room 114 of the First National bank building and inform him how many floats they will have in the line.

Indications already lead Mr. Klotz to assert that the pageant will be the greatest ever staged in northern Indiana.

MINIMUM CHARGE FOR GAS FIXED

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)—The public service commission issued a supplemental order today to the recent order in which the new gas rates for the Northern Indiana Gas & Electric company were fixed.

The order makes a minimum monthly charge of \$1.10 gross and \$1 net. When the ruling was handed down by the commission a week ago the findings stated that this minimum charge would be recommended, but it was not included in the draft of the order. The charge affects Hammond, Whiting and East Chicago.

See Brown's big Jam Sale on Inside sheet.

CONCRETE PAVEMENT FOR SHEFFIELD AVE.

Sheffield Add. Boom Brings Buyers Out With Lanterns

Prospective buyers tramping over Sheffield Addition with lanterns in hand this morning to select homesites in the new subdivision, thousands of dollars changing hands before the factory whistle blew, such was the scene this morning when the big sale on the tract bounded by Calumet Avenue and 11th street opened this morning.

At nine o'clock this morning William Hastings, of the firm of Givens, Mayn & Hastings, Inc., sales agents for the Indiana Development Co., announced that thirty-five thousand dollars worth of property had been bought up. Indications were that by Sunday night fully one hundred thousand dollars worth of lots would be in the hands of new owners.

As indicating the tremendous boom that the subdivision so extraordinarily well located in North township enjoys one estate stands out as prominent. The triangular lot where the two double tracked car lines intersect at Calumet

RED CROSS ROLL CALL GETS GOOD IN LAKE COUNTY

Temporary advisory committees from the county council chapters of the American Red Cross were appointed and four roll call directors were selected at the enthusiastic meeting of the county chapters of the Red Cross at the Gary Commercial club rooms in Gary last night.

Besides the selection of the committees which make up the representatives of the Lake county chapter and branches comprising the Lake county council of which C. O. Holmes of Gary is chairman, plans of the campaign for the national membership drive which is to start on Armistice day, Nov. 11, was discussed and outlined.

The campaign in one for memberships only. It is not a "binds" drive, the memberships being but one dollar each. The Red Cross is anxious to have a general membership from the standpoint universal interest and cooperation in the various branches of its wonderful work which include health service, visiting nurse service, information centers, service for returned soldiers, sailors and their families, disaster service, etc.

Those selected on the advisory committees are:

Hammond—Jesse Wilson and Miss Patterson.

Whiting—J. T. Sullivan and Dr. H. A. Lauer.

Gary—C. O. Holmes, Ralph Cummings, Mrs. Marshall Lamb and L. B. Boyd.

Crown Point—Neal Brown and Mrs. Jeanie Ward Wheeler.

Hobart—N. P. Banks.

Lowell—Dr. Iddings.

East Chicago—Abes Ottenthaler and Miss E. Canino.

Indiana Harbor—Walter J. Reiley and Mrs. John Falyard.

The four roll call directors appointed are—H. S. Norton of Gary, James Nedil, Whiting, C. D. Root, Crown Point, and Mrs. Emma Leary, Ham-

DOZENS IN DANGER AS LINES SNAP

Cars Stop and Plants Are Without Electric Power For Hours.

Dozens of people narrowly escaped death by electrocution, all street car traffic was stopped and automobile traffic was tied up yesterday afternoon about four-thirty when with cracklings and hissing twelve high power electric wires crashed to the ground at the corner of Chicago and Kennedy avenues in East Chicago. The wires were the overhead high voltage wires which furnish power to the industries of the region and carried voltage ranging from 2,000 to 11,000 volts.

The accident occurred just at the most busy time of the afternoon when thousands of workmen were returning home from work and numerous machines were passing the busy corner. Just what caused the break is not known but witnesses state that they heard a snap and a crackling over their heads and looked up to see the upper portion of one of the poles crashing toward the ground with its bundle of wires. All jumped for safety and luckily were out of the way when the overhead cross arms touched the ground and the live wires dashed.

Alfred Jones and Attorney Charles M. Reed, who have offices in the Culbertson bank building were purchasing newspaper from Louis Fudger and the janitor of the building, Fulton Heckscher was also standing near when the wires crashed to the ground. All fled for safety and were safe except Hartman who when the first flash of the short circuit cracked like a whip. The intermittent crackling as new short circuits would be caused brought forth a large crowd who rushed to the scene but kept a safe distance from the wires.

Trammen of the Green Lane and South Shore whose cars were without power because of the short circuit set up guards, keeping the pedestrians and motorists from coming in contact with the deadly wires which hung in a net web from the trolley wires like a group of writhing snakes.

The power company was soon notified and the power was turned off but it was more than an hour before car service was renewed and it required until late at night to repair the damage done to the light system and telephone system in that neighborhood.

The South Shore service was tied up all along the line and people waited at the bus stops for hours before they were able to get a car.

The slight rain and the heavy wind which prevailed in the region yesterday afternoon is thought to have caused a short circuit which burned the high voltage wire in two and in turn burned off the upper part of the post allowing the entire bunch of wires to fall to the ground. The East Chicago police and fire departments responded and did good work. Officials state that it was very fortunate no one was injured.

Senator Harding carried his opposition to the Partisan League of nations to the voters of three states on this his final day. Leaving Indianapolis, the republican nominee, had speeches scheduled in three Indiana points—Greenwood, Brazil and Terre Haute; six cities in southern Illinois, Casey, Greenup, Elkhart, Vandalia, Greenfield and East St. Louis and then in St. Louis, where he arrives at 7:15 p.m.

Indiana republican leaders who have been with Senator Harding since he entered the state assured him that the republican cause in Indiana this year has been fought and won.

When Gov. Cox was in the state earlier in the week, "Tom" Taggart gave him a parting message to the effect that "We got 'em licked." Senator Jim Watson, Taggart's opponent, spurred Senator Harding on his way southwestward today with practically the same message of republican confidence.

Senator Watson predicted that Harding will carry Indiana by from 75,000 to 100,000 and Senator Harding received like assurances from Gov. James P. Goodrich, Senator Harry S. New and other state leaders.

BANK STATEMENT

NEW YORK, Oct. 16—Five dollar average loans increased \$4,552,000; demand deposits increased \$62,913,000; time deposits decreased \$62,000; reserves increased \$1,193,140. Actual loans increased \$42,165,000; demand deposits increased \$95,523,000; time deposits increased \$9,183,000; reserve decreased \$9,813,000.

4 DAYS ONLY

UNION, S. C., Oct. 16—All cotton operators will close down Friday and Saturday of each week for an indefinite time until the cotton goods market improves. This means a curtailment of \$16,000 weekly in pay rolls.

Did You Hear That

THE Nine Birds are all set for their indoor ball at Hein's hall in West Hammond tonight.

FIFTY former Wabash students went to Chicago this afternoon to witness the Chicago-Wabash football game.

HAMMOND'S POST of the American Legion and Auxiliary will give a Hallowe'en dance at the Legion hall, October 25.

MRS. LORY, 179 Michigan avenue, complains to police that boys of her neighborhood destroy her property after dark.

ACCORDING to news story appearing in last night's Times it was Daniel in the dream of Noah Webster who wrote the dictionary.

THE "Fox Pop" of Romeo Woods regarding the city's dust storm was quite timely last night after the sleet of yesterday noon.

"THE coal prices may give some people cold feet," says Ed Dibos, the coal man, "but as for the dealers they are hot under the collar."

CHESHIRETON paper says that Judge Fred Barnett of Hammond will speak there tonight at 8 o'clock on the League of nations and state issues.

THE weekly news summary cartoon which has been appearing regularly in The Times will be missed today owing to the serious illness of Hazelneill, the cartoonist.

SINCE H. P. Dowdy announced he would ride the camel in the Fall Festival parade, Anton Tappert has been looking for a white mule to ride immediately following him.

SAFETY RUMMACH was robbed of his store in the rear of the police target practice. He should have had the security 25, which was credited to Prange, Prange was L.

STILL another load of low priced canned goods will be placed on the market Tuesday by Mayor Brown. Dan has sold so much of the stuff that he has lost count of the cans.

Information to this effect was obtained exclusively by the International News Service, London, today upon inquiry in high official quarters with regard to the many sensational reports and rumors in circulation of late of the Japanese policy of storing up an immense volume of ammunition and war material.

There have been extensive shipments of munitions from this country to Japan. It was learned from an authoritative Whitehall source, but it was made clear to the correspondent that the government has registered no objection to these exports, nor intends interfering with them in any way.

The general view taken in official circles is that these Japanese orders are coming at a time when the British munitions trade is facing difficulties as a result of the natural stampede after the unprecedented war business. The shipments to Japan are bringing a welcome flow of money into England.

W. J. McALEER and Ralph Pierce having made up and are once more bobbing on the golf links. Mac is about this fall while Ralph manages to idle to hit below par when paired with Mac.

IF you are planning to build a bungalow next spring, better pay extra around a bit and buy some vacant, for the fellow with prouder ear to the ground "smell a boar," as Abe Kalishoff might say.

WHEN Martha Freedman, who rooms at 1188 Garfield st., returned home yesterday afternoon she found that in her absence she had been robbed of a \$50 Liberty bond. Neighbors saw two small boys leaving the house.

BETWEEN conferences with democratic national and state leaders, Ed Stevens, democratic district chairman, is doing his best to finish the second story to his La Vie Vendue cigar factory on North Indiana street.

FRANK REILLEY and Tom Taggart had a full roundabout the other day at the Mo Hotel. It was major of Indianapolis when you were major of Hammond, said Tom. "Always remember you are the man who made Hammond democratic."

FRANK O'Rourke is being pestered at all hours of the day by no less than sixteen members of the fair sex who are trying to land the honor of leading the great Fall Festival pageant. As he wishes to stay in Hammond afterward, he may compromise on the movie act.

COUNTRY can't be going to the dogs, when fellows of different surnames like L. B. Bongberger did to Romeo Woods the other day, saying: "I'm going to make a speech against Wilson's league in the near future, Romeo. Come around and heckle me at bit."

AT the Hammond Trust & Savings Bank there are as far as known, two democrats, Frank Martin and Howard Gotschuler. There also are about eight other voters in the place. Well, after a straw vote had been taken, the other, it was found, that Cox had five.

LIESENFELD BROS., George and Joseph, Howard Sommers and Jos. P. Klausen returned yesterday from Stone Lake, Wis., where they bought six carloads of good winter storing potatoes for sale in Hammond next week. They made the 525 mile trip in two days having been gone two weeks during which time they completed business and pleasure.

MAC TURNER, architect, has about \$16,000 worth of buildings under construction. These include a Whiting department store for Harry Gordon & Son, for \$75,000; a new modern residence for Phil Johnson at Rock and an elegant new town hall for Munster at the intersection of Ridge Road and Calumet to cost \$25,000. Last year however, at this time of the year, an elegant new town hall for Munster under way.

ON CARPET

CHICAGO, Oct. 16—Harry Frazer, president of the Boston Red Sox and Charles H. Eckels, owner of the Brooklyn Dodgers, have been summing up their baseball seasons and have now signed their willingness to appear next Tuesday, when the game will be resumed, it was learned today.

Maroons Play at Morris Park Sunday

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16—The weather squad of the Excelsior A. C. will play their opening game Sunday at Morris Park. The Maroons have together one of the strongest aggregations obtainable for their weight and age. The Maroons would like to book games with any 18-year-old team averaging 135-120 pounds. For games write Wilder Weathers, 141 Sibley Street, Hammond, Ind.

Indiana Coal Dealers May Get A New Profit Margin

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